

Mobility¹ and Self-Care Limitations² of Persons 60+, by Age: 1990

United States, Civilian Noninstitutionalized Persons

(Data based on a sample)

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AGE	WITH MOBILITY OR SELF-CARE LIMITATION				WITH NEITHER LIMITATION	TOTAL
	Mobility Limitation Only	Self-Care Limitation Only	With Both Limitations	With Either or Both Limitations		
NUMBER						
TOTAL, 65+	2,419,357	1,331,521	2,192,563	5,943,441	23,620,070	29,563,511
TOTAL, 60+	2,775,675	1,701,400	2,478,224	6,955,299	33,161,202	40,116,501
60–64	356,318	369,879	285,661	1,011,858	9,541,132	10,552,990
65–74	882,870	760,439	748,780	2,392,089	15,541,463	17,933,552
75–84	1,036,302	471,517	905,217	2,413,036	6,929,329	9,342,365
85+	500,185	99,565	538,566	1,138,316	1,149,278	2,287,594
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY MOBILITY & SELF-CARE LIMITATIONS						
TOTAL, 60+	6.9	4.2	6.2	17.3	82.7	100.0
60–64	3.4	3.5	2.7	9.6	90.4	100.0
65–74	4.9	4.2	4.2	13.3	86.7	100.0
75–84	11.1	5.0	9.7	25.8	74.2	100.0
85+	21.9	4.4	23.5	49.8	50.2	100.0
PERCENT DISTRIBUTION BY AGE						
TOTAL, 60+	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
60–64	12.8	21.7	11.5	14.5	28.8	26.3
65–74	31.8	44.7	30.2	34.4	46.9	44.7
75–84	37.3	27.7	36.5	34.7	20.9	23.3
85+	18.0	5.9	21.7	16.4	3.5	5.7

¹ Persons were identified as having a mobility limitation if they had a health condition that had lasted for 6 or more months and that made it difficult to go outside the home alone.

² Persons were identified as having a self-care limitation if they had a health condition that had lasted for 6 or more months and that made it difficult to take care of their own personal needs, such as dressing, bathing, or getting around inside the home.

Source of data: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 Census of Population and Housing, Special Tabulation on Aging, STP 14, Table P52. See technical documentation for more detailed definitions.

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